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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application — Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed May 22, 2000, submitted herewith is an executed Declaration. Also submitted for filing are an Assignment of the invention to Den norske stats oljeselskap a.s., and a Petition for Extension of Time. A check in the amount of \$1,446.00 is enclosed to cover the surcharge, filing fee, extension fee and Assignment recording fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notice to File Missing Parts. Accordingly, examination and allowance of this application in due course are respectfully solicited.



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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- · The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$476.
 - \$216 for 12 total claims over 20.
 - \$260 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- · The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- . To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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